

PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant	Sonia E. Letant et al.	Docket No.	IL-11138
Serial No.	10/677,395	Art Unit:	1634
Filed	Oct. 1, 2003	Examiner	CROW, Robert Thomas
Title	FUNCTIONALIZED APERTURES FOR THE DETECTION OF CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS		

**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450

Dear Examiner:

In response to the Office Action mailed Sept. 24, 2007, please consider the following remarks and/or amendments believed to place the claims in condition for allowance.